

## HR 2796

Afghan Allies Protection Act of 2019

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Immigration

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship. (Jun 26, 2019)

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### Sponsor

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**Name:** Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** OR • **Chamber:** House

**Cosponsors** (42 total)

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Rep. Ryan, Tim [D-OH-13]	D · OH		May 16, 2019
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Rep. Welch, Peter [D-VT-At Large]	D · VT		May 16, 2019
Rep. Wenstrup, Brad R. [R-OH-2]	R · OH		May 16, 2019
Rep. Wright, Ron [R-TX-6]	R · TX		May 16, 2019
Rep. Young, Don [R-AK-At Large]	R · AK		May 16, 2019
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Cole, Tom [R-OK-4]	R · OK		Jun 4, 2019
Rep. Lamb, Conor [D-PA-17]	D · PA		Jun 6, 2019
Rep. Crenshaw, Dan [R-TX-2]	R · TX		Jun 24, 2019
Rep. Gallego, Ruben [D-AZ-7]	D · AZ		Jun 24, 2019
Rep. Pocan, Mark [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Jun 24, 2019
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jul 15, 2019
Rep. Bera, Ami [D-CA-7]	D · CA		Sep 19, 2019
Rep. Pappas, Chris [D-NH-1]	D · NH		Oct 22, 2019
Rep. Trone, David J. [D-MD-6]	D · MD		Dec 17, 2019
Rep. Connolly, Gerald E. [D-VA-11]	D · VA		Feb 3, 2020
Rep. Visclosky, Peter J. [D-IN-1]	D · IN		Mar 9, 2020

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. DelBene, Suzan K. [D-WA-1]	D · WA		Jun 25, 2020

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Jun 26, 2019

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Immigration

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 2500	Related bill	<b>Aug 11, 2020:</b> Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 512.
116 S 1790	Related bill	<b>Dec 20, 2019:</b> Became Public Law No: 116-92.
116 S 1474	Related bill	<b>May 15, 2019:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## Summary (as of May 16, 2019)

### Afghan Allies Protection Act of 2019

This bill provides for 4,000 additional special immigrant visas to qualified nationals of Afghanistan who were employed by or on behalf of the United States since October 7, 2001. The visa allotment, in addition to any unused allocations of such special immigrant visas from FY2015 through FY2017, shall be available beginning FY2019, and unused visas shall carry over to subsequent fiscal years until exhausted.

The Department of State Inspector General shall report to Congress on obstacles to protecting Afghan and Iraqi allies through special immigrant visa programs and recommendations for improving future programs.

## Actions Timeline

- **Jun 26, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship.
- **May 16, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **May 16, 2019:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E614)
- **May 16, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.